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1. The following camps have their administrative offices at Nozharevo (N 43-38, E 26-59), Isperrikh Okoliya:

- a. Bashtinovo;<sup>1</sup>
- b. Bosna (for women) (N 43-58, E 26-58), Isperrikh Okoliya;
- c. Glavinitsa (N 43-54, E 26-50), Tutrakan Okoliya;
- d. Kufaldzha (N 43-52, E 26-51), Tutrakan Okoliya;
- e. Terter (N 43-52, E 26-36); Tutrakan Okoliya; and
- f. Zagrad (N 43-52, E 26-59).

2. [redacted] there were about 120 prisoners in the Zagrad camp. The following were among those imprisoned at Zagrad during that period: 25X1

- a. Petur Bozhinov, a former Deputy;<sup>2</sup>
- b. (fnu) Bozhkov, a former Deputy, an architect;<sup>3</sup>
- c. Kosta Gorbanov, former Deputy;
- d. Ivan Mandikov;
- e. Grigor Petrovich;
- f. Ivan Strahimov, former mayor of Kharmanli city;<sup>4</sup>
- g. Asen Surbinski;<sup>5</sup>
- h. Kinyu Vulev;
- i. General (fnu) Vulkov;<sup>6</sup> and
- j. Boris Yolov, former Deputy.

3. The following personalities were concerned with the administration of these camps:

- a. (fnu) Geshkov, Chief of Bulgarian forced labor camps; [redacted] 25X1

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- b. Militia Lieutenant Colonel (fnu) Milenkov. Assistant Chief of Bulgarian forced labor camps;

- c. Travko Travkov. Chief of the Zagrad camp in 1948,

- d. Militia Sergeant Nayden Naydenov. Sergeant of the Militia Guard.

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Comments:

1. No record of a Bashtinovo in this area in this office.
2. Three reports in our files mention a Petur Bozhinov as being held in Belene:
3. There is a Stoyan Boshkov, variously reported as engineer, former Minister of Construction, former Chief Director in the Ministry of Lands and Buildings, former Agrarian, mentioned as being held in Belene
4. There is a major reported variously as Strashimov and Strihinov, generally with the first name of Ivan, mentioned in reports as being held in the Belene camp: a Free European Press Service bulletin of 7 December 1951.
5. Asen Surbinsky is listed as being held in the Belene camp in the following reports: a Free European Press Service bulletin of 7 December 1951,

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6. General Ivan Vulkov is in the Belene camp now.
7. the central administration of Bulgarian concentration camps is under the direction of a certain Milenkov whose address is 26 Krakra Street, Sofia. a Lieutenant Colonel Todor Milenkov resides at 26 Krakra Street in Sofia and in 1949 an officer of the same name was reported as assistant commandant of the uniformed militia in Sofia.

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